Minutes of New Russia Township Trustee Regular Meeting

HELD

March 16, 2021

Chairman, Andrew Gulish called the March 16, 2021 Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees: Andrew Gulish, Jack Hoyt, Patricia Brubaker were present as well as Fiscal Officer, Lisa Akers. Staff and Public: Edie Taylor, Desi Justin, Kris Waechter, Rick & Pat Justin, Bryan Plemons, John & Kathy Rokasy

Motion to Approve March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-17

Motion to Approve March 9, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to approve the March 9, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-18

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The Financial/Investment and Appropriation Reports were reviewed and found in order.

Motion to Approve Warrants

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to approve warrants totaling \$105,954.30, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED 2021-03-19

PUBLIC CONCERNS AND REQUESTS

Rick Justin: -Republic Services recently was hauling garbage from Vitaful Orchards Property on BNR, as tarped garbage truck would pass his house, trash would fly out of top and land in his yard. Mr. Justin called Jack Hoyt and Rosann from Republic Services and Deputy Plemons. Deputy Plemons in-turned called Republic Services and was referred to their hauling division. Deputy Plemons ended up picking trash up from Mr. Justin's property.

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Rick Justin (continued):-Also, north side gates near borrow pit have been left open at night for the past two weeks. A large hole has been put in the fence on west end of property which is a Zoning violation. Deputy Plemons contacted Kyle from Republic Services during meeting and Kyle stated he would close gate tonight. Deputy Plemons also told Kyle the hole in the fence is a concern.

Fiscal Officer, Lisa Akers read a letter received from Dr. Ebihara requesting additional Pickleball Lines on tennis court at Park. Trustees requested Kris Waechter to add one set of Pickleball lines to tennis court.

STAFF REPORTS

Edie Taylor:-Due to high volume of calls received during Covid Shot Days, she is allowing calls to voicemail and only returning calls pertaining to Township matters.
-Would like to attend Pride Day Virtual Meeting, *Trustees Approve*

Deputy Plemons: Calls for Service

- -Feb 19th, 47000 block of Garfield Rd., reference a neighbor piling snow around another neighbor's mailbox.
- -Feb. 23rd, 13000 block of Quarry Rd., reference a habitual runaway juvenile running away once again. A report was taken for same.
- -Feb. 25th, 43000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference an injured deer that needed to be dispatched.
- -Feb. 26th, Someone opened the gates to the preserve and people started to enter the park. I waited for roughly 45min's for the last group of people to leave.
- -Feb. 26th, The missing juvenile was found in Columbus, Ohio and the guardian was advised on same and would make arrangements for same.
- -Feb. 28th, 45000 block of E. Hamilton St., reference a harassment complaint over unwanted emails.
- -Feb. 28th, 12000 block of RT. 58 reference the check of the wellbeing of the homeowner. An ambulance was dispatched to check on her.
- -March 2nd, 43000 block of Albrecht Rd., reference kids face timing him that he didn't know. The kids were playing with a phone and called this male by accident.
- -March 2nd, 44000 block of Parsons Rd., reference a male wearing a cape or dress hiding near a neighbor's tree in his front yard. The male was not located.
- -March 3rd, 44000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference a theft of a license plate. The plate was entered into the state database as stolen.

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Desi Justin:

-Lorain County Township Association requested free use of "The Lodge" for all monthly meetings. *Trustees stated they need to be charged the cleaning fee for the remainder of meetings.*

Kris Waechter:

- -Anticipating a good Spring and Summer for Park
- -Would like to purchase seed starter, grass seed and rent hydroplanter for areas in Park that have been recently graded
- -Installed locks on gates at Park for off-season
- -Bathroom doors have been painted
- -Anticipate cleaning and deodorizing restrooms/playgrounds at Park on 3/30/2021
- -Would like to upgrade Park Drive/Parking Areas and Walking Trail in Park with #8 limestone which is priced at \$27.50 ton. Rick Justin stated that 411 limestone would pack better if rolled and should be somewhat cheaper. *Trustee Hoyt would like to start with walking trails first.* Kris will get pricing of 411 limestone.
- -Mulch pricing for 240 yards delivered:

Kurtz Bros: \$6,111.00 (triple shred)
Alvarado: \$6,240.00 (triple shred)
Smith Bros: \$6,000.00 (double shred)

-Would like Austin Kucerik to work his Spring Break starting

March 25, 2021

- -Geese light working so far
- -Cemetery cleaning has started. Will contact Lake Doctors regarding fountains. Pre-emergent application beginning tomorrow. Reviewed flush mount foundation install process.

Motion to Approve Purchase of Mulch

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the purchase of 240 yards of mulch from Kurtz Bros., at a price of \$6,111.00, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-20

Motion to Approve Purchase of Seed Starter, Seed, Hydro Planter Rental

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the purchase of the following:

- -Seed Starter from SiteOne Landscape @ \$1,692.00
- -Hydro Planter Rental from Sunbelt Rentals @ \$355.00/day
- -Seed from Rural King @ \$844.87

seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye. **MOTION CARRIED 2021-03-21**

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TRUSTEE BUSINESS - Correspondence were reviewed and found in order.

-Lorain County Commissioners letter regarding annexation of House of Hope property to City of Oberlin, raises questions of why was this was not presented to Board of Trustees first before Commissioners. Chairman Gulish to attend Public Hearing in May.

Motion to Approve Amending Austin Kucerik Start Date

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to amend Austin Kucerik start date to March 25, 2021 from previous approved Motion #2021-03-05 dated March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-22

Motion to Appoint Zoning Board of Commission and Appeal Members

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to appoint Marita George to the Zoning Board of Commission for a 5-year term expiring 1/31/2026 and Wayne Prechtel to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 5-year term expiring 1/31/2026, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** 2021-03-23

Motion to Approve Zoning Board of Commission Alternates

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to approve the following as Alternates to the Zoning Board of Commission for a one-year term expiring 1/31/2022: Cynthia Breda, Kimberley Guelker seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-24

Motion to Approve Cemetery Pricing of Flush Mount Foundations

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to approve Flush Mount Foundations at a price of \$200.00 effective 4/1/2021, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-25

Rick Justin stated the Snow Plow Crew did a good job keeping roads clear this year.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to adjourn meeting at 8:15 pm, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2021-03-26

AFFIRMED by Andrew Gulish at April 6, 2021 Regular Meeting

ATTESTED by Lisa Akers at April 6, 2021 Regular Meeting